



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL
5720 INTEGRITY DRIVE
MILLINGTON, TN 38055-0000

5720
PERS 00J6/20170231
February 14, 2017

Ms. Kitty Bennett
The New York Times
1627 I Street, Suite 700
Washington, DC 20006

Dear Ms. Bennett:

SUBJECT: YOUR FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (FOIA) REQUEST

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated February 8, 2017. You seek a copy of the U.S. Navy Official Military Personnel File (OMPF) pertaining to Mr. Stephen K. Bannon. Your request was received in this office (PERS-00J) on February 13, 2017, and has been assigned FOIA case file number CNPC20170231 by this command.

A releasable copy of the applicable OMPF pertaining to Mr. Bannon is available in the Navy FOIA Reading Room. The link is: <http://www.secnav.navy.mil/foia/pages/default.aspx>. Once at the main page click on "Reading Room", in "Case Files", click on "Official Military Personnel File Request for Fitreps", and click on "Stephen K. Bannon OMPF Records."

The remaining portions of the record containing administrative documentation such as entrance medical exams, discharge details, security clearance documentation, and Records of Emergency Data are exempt from disclosure in entirety as they are not reasonably segregable. The redacted portions of the released documentation, and documentation withheld in entirety, are exempt from disclosure under FOIA exemption 6 [5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6)]. Release of such information would be a clearly unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of Mr. Bannon and other identified individuals.

Because your request has been partially denied by this command, you are advised of your right to appeal this determination in writing to the Office of the Judge Advocate General, OJAG Code 14, 1322 Patterson Avenue SE Suite 3000, Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374-5066.

If an appeal is deemed necessary, it must be received in that office within 90 calendar days from the date of this

5720


PERS 00J6/20170231

February 14, 2017

letter, in order to be considered. To expedite an appeal, you should enclose a copy of this letter and a copy of the original request along with a statement regarding why your appeal should be granted. The letter of appeal and the envelope should bear the notation "FOIA Appeal" for proper routing purposes.

I am the official responsible for the partial denial of your request. Should you wish to discuss the processing of your request by this command, you may contact the undersigned at (901) 874-3165. You may also contact the DON FOIA Public Liaison, Christopher Julka, at Christopher.a.julka@navy.mil and (703) 697-0031.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. P. German', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

D. P. GERMAN
FOIA/PA Officer
By direction